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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:	§ Confirmation Number:
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SELECTION	§

**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION MAILED 12/01/2004, AND  
PETITION FOR THREE (3) MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME**

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To the Office:

Applicant's attorneys are now in receipt of an Official Communication from the USPTO that was mailed on December 1, 2004. At the issuance of the Official Communication, claims 1-8 were pending with the Office setting forth rejections for each pending claim. This response includes the following elements:

Petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action; and

A response to each issue raised in the Official Communication.

**Extension of Time**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three (3) months, extending the time for responding to Official Action to June 1, 2005. The petition is included at the end of this response and the statutory fees are included in the PTO 2038 Credit Card Authorization Form charges.

**Change of Docket Number**

Please forward this request to the party responsible for changing docketing numbers.

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